GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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TB TRANSMISSION AMONG AIR TRAVELLERS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a): whether the World Health Organisation (WHO)has issued any guidelines to the Airline industry for reducing the risk of T.B. transmission among the air travellers as reported in The Times of India dated June 29, 2006;

(b): if so, the details in this regard;and

(c): the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The guidelines provide for certain steps to be taken by the airline operator to avoid the risk of transmission of tuberculosis during flight.

(c): The Government has issued a circular to all operators for compliance.